IN THE HIGH COURT OF KERALA AT ERNAKULAM

PRESENT :

THE HONOURABLE MR. JUSTICE S.SIRI JAGAN

THURSDAY, THE 28TH JUNE 2007 / 7TH ASHADHA 1929

WP(C).No. 19793 of 2007(F)

PETITIONER:

P.U. MOHANDAS,
CHALIL HOUSE, OTTACHIMAKKOOL, P.O. POOKODE,
PATHAYAKUNNU, KANNUR.

BY ADV. SRI.I.DINESH MENON

RESPONDENTS:

1. THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT,
   TRANSPORT (C) DEPARTMENT, TRIVANDRUM.

2. THE REGIONAL TRANSPORT OFFICER, KANNUR.

BY G.P. SHRI.I.V.PRAMOD.

THIS WRIT PETITION (CIVIL) HAVING COME UP FOR ADMISSION ON 28/06/2007, THE COURT ON THE SAME DAY DELIVERED THE FOLLOWING:

S.SIRI JAGAN, J.

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W.P.(C).No.19793 of 2007

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Dated this the 28th day of June, 2007

J U D G M E N T

The petitioner is the owner of stage carriage bearing registration No.KL-11-H-4272. The petitioner has not paid tax. Petitioner seeks facility to pay the amounts in instalments.

2. Heard the learned counsel for the petitioner as also the learned Government Pleader.

3. Taking a lenient view, I direct the 2nd respondent to permit the petitioner to pay the amount of tax due in four equal monthly instalments from 2.7.2007. Subsequent instalments shall be paid on the first working day of every subsequent month. However, this order shall not be taken as a permission for the petitioner to pay tax without installing speed governor. If the petitioner pays the amounts in instalments in time, further coercive proceedings against the

petitioner's vehicle shall be kept in abeyance. However, if the petitioner commits default in payment of any one instalment, it would be open to the respondents to take appropriate proceedings as warranted by law.

Writ petition is disposed of as above.

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